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DATE:

December 8, 2010

TO:

All Local Health Departments

Attn: Chief Food Inspection Officer

FROM:

A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS Director, Food Protection Program

**SUBJECT:** 

S&S Food Inc. Recall

## SUGGESTED

**ACTION:** 

Unclassified Recall; DRIED FISH VOBLA GUTTED due to the fish was not properly eviscerated prior to processing; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone,

fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the product being recalled may be distributed in the State of Indiana. The recalled dried fish Vobla gutted comes in a coded, plastic vacuum packed bag with the following code: Production date: 21.06.2010, lot # 280610140 and is a product of Germany. This product was sold nationwide. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled products are found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

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## **Recall -- Firm Press Release**

FDA posts press releases and other notices of recalls and market withdrawals from the firms involved as a service to consumers, the media, and other interested parties. FDA does not endorse either the product or the company.

## S&S Food Inc. Issues An Alert On Uneviscerated Fish

**Contact:** 

Yan Shvartz (718)677-6888

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** - December 6, 2010 - S&S Food Inc. at 1560 Troy Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11203 is recalling DRIED FISH VOBLA GUTTED discovered by New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Food Inspectors during a routine inspection and subsequent analysis of product by Food Laboratory personnel confirming that the fish was not properly eviscerated prior to processing.

This product may be contaminated with Clostridium botulinum spores, which can cause Botulism, a serious and potentially fatal food borne illness. Symptoms of botulism include blurred vision, general weakness and poor reflexes, difficulty in swallowing and respiratory paralysis.

The sale of un-eviscerated fish is prohibited under New York State Agriculture and Markets regulations because Clostridium botulinum spores are more likely to be concentrated in the viscera than any other portion of the fish. Un-eviscerated fish has been linked to outbreaks of botulism poisoning.

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No illnesses have been reported to date in connection with this problem. Consumers who have DRIED FISH VOBLA GUTTED are advised not to eat it and should return it to the place of purchase. Consumer with questions may contact the company at (718) 677-6888.

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Photo: Product Labels<sup>11</sup>